DEPARTMENT OF STATE REVENUE

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CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE EXCISE TAX FOR TAX PERIODS: 1993

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ISSUE

1. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE EXCISE TAX: IMPOSITION

Authority: IC 6-7-3-5

Taxpayer protests the assessment of Controlled Substance Excise Tax.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Taxpayer was arrested for possession of and dealing in marijuana. The Indiana Department of Revenue issued a record of Jeopardy Finding, Jeopardy Assessment Notice and Demand on January 26, 1993, in a base tax amount of \$6032.00. Taxpayer filed a protest to the assessment. A hearing was held by telephone on April 6, 1999. Further facts will be provided as necessary.

Controlled Substance Excise Tax-Imposition

Discussion

IC 6-7-3-5 imposes the Controlled Substance Excise Tax on the possession of marijuana in the State of Indiana. A Taxpayer has the burden of proving that the assessment is incorrect. The Indiana State Police Case Report and Indiana State Police Report of Laboratory Examination indicate that Taxpayer was in possession of 150.81 grams of marijuana. Taxpayer agreed that he was in possession of marijuana. Therefore, the tax properly applies to Taxpayer in this situation.

Finding

Taxpayer's protest is denied.

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